Norms for import of pesticides

828. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the norms, conditions, criteria, and procedure adopted by the Registration Committee under the Insecticides Act for allowing quantum of import of technical pesticides as well as their formulations to the Provisional Registration under Section 9(3B) of the Insecticides Act during the last two years whereas import of such technical or their formulation are not allowed under OGL of import policy for 1985 to 1988;

(b) the names of the companies alongwith products whose applications are pending before the Registration Committee for grant of Provisional Registration and by when the import is likely to be allowed by the Registration Committee, company-wise and product-wise; and

(c) the names of the companies alongwith products who have been granted provisional registration during the last three months and quantum of import allowed technical|formulation, company-wise and product-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The Registration Committee merely grants provisional registration to insecticides after its prima facie satisfaction on safety and efficacy. The provisional registration under Section 9 (3B) of the Insecticides Act, 1968 covers the insecticides which are introduced for the first time in India and is for a period of two years, pending any enquiry, on such conditions as may be specified from safety and efficacy points of view. The Registration Committee has evolved guidelines for submission of data encompassing various norms and criteria, on various parameters of safety and efficacy before considering grant of provisional registration under Section 9(3B). While issuing the certificate of registration under Section 9(3B), the Committee stipulates the conditions regarding data generation to enable the registrant to generate data on further identified parameters of safety and efficacy so as to consider the application finally for grant of registration under Section 9(3) of the Act. The quantum of import of technical grade pesticides or their formulations are specified on the basis of crop|crops on which data on bio-efficacy and safety are required to be generated. The area to be covered and the dosage of pesticides also govern the quantum of such import. In appropriated cases, to meet the emergent pest or disease situation, the Committee also allows more quantity of pesticides for import depending upon the risk-benefit ratio.

For arranging the actual import of the quantities permitted by the Registration Committee, the registrant has to follow, and comply with, the requirements of other laws and policies like the Import Policy of the Government.

(b) The names of the companies along with product, whose applications are pending before the Registration Committee for grant of provisional registration are indicated in the statement. (*See* below)

The likely time|period for grant of provisional registration would depend on various factors like extent of data submitted by the applicant, its scrutiny, examination by the Registration Committee and its satisfaction, regarding the adequacy of the data to judge the efficacy and safety of the product.

The likely time to be taken in registering the product would depend on—

(i) adequacy of the data submitted by the applicant;

(ii) time taken in scrutiny;

(iii) time taken by the applicant in meeting the deficiencies, if any, pointed out as a result of scrutiny;

(iv) finally time taken by the Registration Committee in considering the complete data.

In view of factors (i) and (iii) it would not be feasible to point out the time limit for disposal of these cases.

(c) During the last three months, only M/s. Indofil Chemical Company, Bombay have been granted provisional registration for the product namely, oxyflourfen (GOAL) technical for import only and their 23.5 per cent EC and 0.35 per cent. Gr. for indigenous manufacture. The Committee allowed 300 Kgs. of oxyflourfen technical for import which is to be formulated and used over an area of 1,000 areas (400 hectares) on paddy crops, for data generation.

Statement

Products (Insecticides Technical) under section 9 (3B) of the insecticides act, 1968 pending in the registration secretariat.

Sl. No.	Product	Manufacturer
1	Bendiocarb	M/s. Rallis India Ltd., Bangalore.
2	Ethoprophos	M/s. Volrho Ltd., Secunderabad.
3	Methomyl	M/s. Coromondel Indag, Madras.
4	Plictran	Do.
5	Anilophos	M/s. Hoechst India Ltd., Bombay.
6	Ethephon	M/s. Union Carbide India Ltd., Bhopal.
7	Fluvalinate	M/s. Sandoz India Ltd., Bombay.
8	BPMC	M/s. Union Carbide India Ltd., Bhopal.
9	Phoxim	M/s. M. J. International, Bombay.
10	ARS Mat	M/s. Surekha International, Calcutta.
11	MTPC	M/s. Bharat Pulversing Mills, Bombay.

Furnishing of Requisite details of Pesticides to Plant protection Adviser

829. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under the import policy for 1985 to 1988, any person/organisation importing pesticides should inform the Plant Protection Adviser to the Government of India within 15 days of clearance from custom on Statutory Appendix II-J, i.e. performa for furnishing details of imported Pesticides;

(b) if so, whether the companies referred in reply to Unstarred Question 2313 answered on 8th May, 1987 Annexure II who have been granted registration under section 9(3B) of the Insecticides Act, would have submitted the requisite information and if so, the names of the companies imported technical formulation materials during last one and half years; company-wise, quantity-wise, etc.;

(c) the names of the defaulting companies if any along with the quantity of product, company-wise; and